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PRICE \$2 PER MONTH.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

July 11. Yorke, British str., 286, Goggin. Sway 10th July, General. KWOK ACHING. July 12. Texaco, British str., 1,324, Power. Liverpool 23rd May, Port Said 11th June. She 12th, Penang 3rd July, and Singa- pore 6th. General. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. July 12. PHATON, British bark, 573, School Bangkok 17th June, Rice.—WIELER & Co. July 12. PRINCES SEPATEL, Siuan bark, 455. W. MUNCHAN, Petrow (Gulf of Siuan) Hongkong, 14th June, 1878. [1m1066]

NOTICES OF ITEMS.

NOTIFICATION.

I beg to notify that I have RESUMED BUSINESS.—Tangier and Kusser in Formosa, under the style of 'DODD & CO.' JOHN DODD, Tamsui, 17th April, 1878. [1m67]

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. S. J. DAVID in our Firm, this Port, and in CHINA, CEASED on the 31st December, 1875. E. D. SAISON & Co. Hongkong, 14th June, 1878. [1m1066]

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. ARTHUR CHART in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December last. J. INGLIS & Co. Hongkong, 15th June, 1878. [1m1061]

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NOTICE.

R. CHATTERTON WILCOX, Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 1st January, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed by Messrs. PIGG, WILKS, and LARMEYER, Linen, Cambric, Manufactures, of Dartford and Barts, their SOLE AGENTS in HONGKONG and CHINA, MEYER & Co. Hongkong, 6th February, 1878. [1m230]

NOTICE.

W. E. SEASIDE, T.E.A. FIRM, GROUNDS COFFEE, CHINA SUGAR, REFINED SUGAR, SIRUP, LOAF and CUBE SUGAR, WHOLESALE and RETAIL QUANTITIES.

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By Appointment to His Excellency the Governor and his Royal Highness the
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PERFUMERS,
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And
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SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS REFFITED,
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NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the Firm, A. S. WATSON and Co., or
HONGKONG DISPENSARY. 17

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed to "The Editor," and those on business to "The Manager," and not to individuals by name.

Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

BIRTHS.

At Double Island, Swatow, on the 23rd June, 1878, the wife of WALTER WATSON, Imperial Maritime Customs, of a son.

At Kowloon, on the 20th instant, the wife of Mr. G. H. Stavens, of a son.

At Kowloon, on the 18th instant, Mrs. A. BENTON, of a daughter.

On the 7th July, at Boulder Lake, Mrs. CARL COHN, of a daughter.

On the 10th instant, the wife of Mr. W. H. DUNN, of a daughter.

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The two last telegrams received make it appear rather uncertain on what terms the transfer of Cyprus has been made to Great Britain. It would seem according to the telegram of the 9th instant that the English troops were to occupy it only temporarily, or until the Russians re-occupied Batoum, Kars,

and Ardahan. The question is, has Russia agreed to a more temporary occupation of Armenia or has she insisted on a cession of the territory in question. If the latter, then it is not the slightest chance of her resigning it again. She invariably sticks to her territorial acquisitions. It would beall nonsense, therefore, to talk about England withdrawing from Cyprus when Russia evacuated Armenia. It would be far better and franker to state at once that the occupation of Cyprus is to be definitive, and to offer the Sultan pecuniary compensation instead of paying the surplus revenues. Turkey care little about Cyprus and would willingly surrender it to a powerful friend for a good round sum in cash. If she ever wished to regain and England saw no further occasion for occupying it, the island might be reduced by Turkey. But it will be better for the Cyprines to understand at once that the island has really changed hands and then there will be more chance of improvements being effected.

We note that Miss Eliza May's Opera Company, now performing in Singapore, has given "Guitars" Trial by Jury, the full score of which is to be given by the band of the 23rd Regiment.

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and Ardahan. The question is, has Russia agreed to a more temporary occupation of Armenia or has she insisted on a cession of the territory in question. If the latter, then it is not the slightest chance of her resigning it again. She invariably sticks to her territorial acquisitions. It would be all nonsense, therefore, to talk about England withdrawing from Cyprus when Russia evacuated Armenia. It would be far better and franker to state at once that the occupation of Cyprus is to be definitive, and to offer the Sultan pecuniary compensation instead of paying the surplus revenues. Turkey care little about Cyprus and would willingly surrender it to a powerful friend for a good round sum in cash. If she ever wished to regain and England saw no further occasion for occupying it, the island might be reduced by Turkey. But it will be better for the Cyprines to understand at once that the island has really changed hands and then there will be more chance of improvements being effected.

We note that Miss Eliza May's Opera Company, now performing in Singapore, has given "Guitars" Trial by Jury, the full score of which is to be given by the band of the 23rd Regiment.

The performance at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, this evening, is Mrs. Carson's farewell benefit, on which occasion she will appear as *Amazzone* in Offenbach's *opera* "Fairy Winks." The programmes altogether is an excellent one, and will doubt draw a good house.

The most interesting ceremony in connection with the volunteer corps will most probably be the presentation of colours. Those of the old corps, we understand, are still at Government House, but whether they will do duty again or not we have not heard.

On July 10th, at Naval Hospital, Mount Shewell, the wife of Dr. W. H. ELWES, Surgeon Royal Navy, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

On the 7th instant, at St. John's Cathedral, the Rev. S. E. STANLEY, M.A., of the Colonial Chaplain, P. W. S. STANLEY, Imperial Maritime Customs, Hawick, to ELIZABETH ALLEN, of London.

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Hongkong, 13th July, 1878. [87]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1878. [155]

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1878. [155]

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1878. [1010]

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Hongkong, 27th June, 1878. [24]

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Hongkong, 15th October, 1878. [1002]

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Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [21]

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1878. [401]

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